Exchange Programme Relating To NRSA

†166. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have initiated any interational exchange programme relating to National Remote Sensing Agency with other technologically developed countries especially with America, United Kingdom and Germany etc.; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL): (a) Yes, Sir. The Indian Institute of Remote Sensing (IIRS) of the National Remote Sensing Agency (NRSA) of the Department of Space has exchange programmes with the International Institute of Geo-information Science and Earth Observation (ITC), of the Netherlands, and the Groupement pour le Development de la Teledetection Aerospatiale (GDTA), of France.

(b) The exchange includes faculty training, exchanging students for carrying out projects, and sharing of research experience.

Concession to Government Institution

†167. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government are considering to give concession in the form of partnership to the governmental institutions in lieu of technology;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have considered the financial aspect in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

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